

REMARKS

Supplemental to the Final Office Action filed April 29, 2010, Applicants are awaiting the issuance of Advisory Action indicated on the USPTO Pair website as "counted, not yet mailed". In this regard, Applicants' representative contacted the Examiner on July 29, 2010. Specifically, Applicants contacted the Examiner to inquire about the contents of the Advisory Action that has not yet issued. The Examiner indicated that the previously filed Amendment raises "new issues". Thus, a Request for Continued Examination is being concurrently filed to reopen and continue prosecution.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Andrew D. Meikle, Registration No. 32868 at the telephone number of the undersigned below to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Director is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge any fees required during the pendency of the above-identified application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448.

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Respectfully submitted,

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